

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused it to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert



and investigating mind, an earnest seeker after knowledge, and above all, possessed of a wonderfully sympathetic nature.

In 1843 she married Isaac Pinkham, a builder and real estate operator, and their early married life was marked by prosperity and happiness. They had four children, three sons and a daughter.

In those good old fashioned days it was common for mothers to make their own home medicines from roots and herbs, nature's own remedies—calling in a physician only in specially urgent cases. By tradition and experience many of them gained a wonderful knowledge of the curative properties of the various roots and herbs.

Mrs. Pinkham took a great interest in the study of roots and herbs, their characteristics and power over disease. She maintained that just as nature so bountifully provides in the harvest fields and orchards vegetable foods of all kinds; so, if we but take the pains to find them, in the roots and herbs of the field there are remedies expressly designed to cure the various ills and weaknesses of the body, and it was her pleasure to search these out, and prepare simple and effective medicines for her own family and friends.

Chief of these was a rare combination of the choicest medicinal roots and herbs found best adapted for the cure of the ills and weaknesses peculiar to the female sex, and Lydia E. Pinkham's friends and neighbors learned that her compound relieved and cured and it became quite popular among them.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price, as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too much for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful depression, so when the Centennial year dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found.

At this point Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was made known to the world.

The three sons and the daughter, with their mother, combined forces to

restore the family fortune. They argued that the medicine which was so good for their woman friends and neighbors was equally good for the women of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped in the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sons in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it recommended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until to-day Lydia E. Pinkham and her Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydia E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continuing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience she was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case that came to her attention. The case of every sick woman who applied to her for advice—and there were thousands—received careful study, and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference, and to-day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's ills, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham. She was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her vast correspondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its original passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing in the work shows when the first Lydia E. Pinkham dropped her pen, and the present Mrs. Pinkham, now the mother of a large family, took up. With woman assistants, some as capable as herself, the present Mrs. Pinkham continues this great work, and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Yours for Health" freely given if you only write to ask for it.

Such is the history of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; made from simple roots and herbs; the one great medicine for women's ailments, and the fitting monument to the noble woman whose name it bears.

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DON'T FORGET
A large box, package Red Cross Ball Race, only 5 cents. The Russ Company, South Bend, Ind.

Shoes and Gown Alike.
In the period between 1840 and 1860 women of fashion wore shoes made of the same material as their gowns; muslin boots being the accepted style.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Origin of "Mexico."
The word "Mexico" comes from the Aztec national war god, Mexitli.

Beer for Paupers.
Opinion is divided in England as to whether paupers in public institutions should or should not have beer at dinner on Christmas day. Some of the debates are very bitter. At a recent meeting of Poor Guardians in Sussex, a clerical guardian, replying to a fellow member unfortunately named Beer, said that beer was "condensed crime."

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It is a curious fact, says the London Book Monthly, that manuscripts by women are rarely as clean and tidy as those prepared by men. "Most editors will admit—in candid if ungallant moments—that they would rather tackle two manuscripts by men than one in a hand that should be fairer."

Write for a Sample Package
of Garfield Tea, the mild laxative which cures constipation, sick headache and derangements of liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. Garfield Tea is made wholly of herbs. Address Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y. Send name of your ruglist.

To Ventilate a Room Properly.
The right way to ventilate a room is to open the window at both top and bottom. In this way you provide an entrance for a friend and an exit for a foe; for as the fresh air rushes in the foul air is expelled.

Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullen's Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At drug-gists, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle.

Blizzard of 1888.
The blizzard of 1888 on the east coast of the United States occurred on March 11, 12 and 13. Four hundred lives were lost, and there were many wrecks. The storm was most severe in New York city.

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They Go to Him.
"Dey used ter say," said Uncle Eben, "dat Satan laid in wait foh folks, but nowadays it 'pears like he's kep' busy by folks ringin' at his do' bell."—Washington Star.

USE THE FAMOUS
Red Cross Ball Race, Large 2oz. package 5 cents. The Russ Company, South Bend, Ind.

Weevil Vies With Cigar Makers.
The clever cigar rollers of Seville have rivals in the insect world. By the aid of its tiny feet the weevil rolls vine leaves into a cylindrical shape and hides itself inside.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Wise Words by Pope.
A man should never be ashamed to own that he has been in the wrong; which is but saying, in other words, that he is wiser to-day than he was yesterday.—Pope.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c. Many smokers prefer them to 10c cigars. Your dealer or Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Boston's Various Nicknames.
Boston is variously called "Puritan City," "Modern Athens," "Hub of the Universe," "City of Notions," "Athens of America," "The Hub."

Bishop Mistaken For a Tramp.
Dr. Stanton, Bishop of Newcastle, Australia, who recently died, was frequently mistaken for a bushman or a "Sundowner," which is Australian slang for a tramp. Once a squatter, who expected him as a guest, thought he was lost, and sent out a party to inquire. They came upon what they thought was a derelict "Sundowner," camped by the roadside, who proved upon inquiry to be the Bishop.

Eggs Poisonous to Some.
A correspondent says that if he eats eggs in any form he has all the symptoms, more or less pronounced of irritant poisoning. Many persons are affected in like manner by articles of food. Some persons can not eat strawberries, to others mutton is poison, and many persons dare not eat crab.—The London Lancet.

New Laid Eggs.
By greasing eggs with vaseline while still warm, or at any rate, within a few hours of being laid, the contents retain perfection for six weeks or two months, and many do so for a much longer period. The sooner the grease is applied the longer "new laid" qualities persist.

Most Important Part Done.
A story is told of a German shoemaker who, having made a pair of boots for a gentleman of whose integrity he had considerable doubt, made the following reply to him when he called for the articles: "Der boots ish not quite done, but der beel is made out."—London Tit-Bits.

Jefferson's Fine Compliment.
"You replace Dr. Franklin," said the Count de Vergennes to Jefferson when they first met. "I succeed, no one can replace him," said the newly appointed minister to France.

SAVED FROM CATARRH OF LUNGS! SO COMMON IN WINTER BY TAKING PE-RU-NA.

Sore Throat Develops Into Bronchitis
Mrs. Addie Harding, 121 W. Brighton Ave., Syracuse, N. Y., writes: "I have been a user of Peruna for the past twelve years. With me it is a sure preventive of colds and many other ills."



"Two or three times a year I am troubled with my throat, a kind of raw feeling, turning to bronchitis. I have had the services of my physician in each case. Two years ago, when I felt a spell coming, I tried Peruna to check it, and to my delight was not troubled with the smothered and choking feeling and never have been since. I can check it every time with Peruna."



Chronic Catarrh of Throat and Lungs
Mrs. Virginia Caviana, room 32, Cambridge Block, Portland, Ore., writes:

"I was a sufferer with catarrh of the throat and lungs for a long time before Peruna was recommended to me. I gave it a trial, although I thought at the time it would be just like other medicines and do me no good. I was pleased to find that my improvement began in less than two weeks and continued until I was entirely well. I gained nearly 15 pounds, have a splendid appetite and am grateful for what your medicine has done for me."

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(Mention this paper.)

FOR Sick Women

"After Suffering for Three Years"

writes Mary E. Shelton, of Poplar Bluff, Mo., "and trying two doctors for female trouble in vain, I was finally laid up in bed for about five weeks and was near to death, when I began to take Wine of Cardui. In a week I was up, and have mended ever since. I have only taken three bottles and now I am in good health and can do my household work without a pain. My custom is now regular. I can truly say that Cardui cured me and I cannot recommend it highly enough." "For headache, backache, falling feelings, dizziness, cramps, fitful functions and periodical pains take

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